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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS BODDIE TO ETHICS COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley today announced the appointment of **Ben Mayo Boddie Sr.** of Rocky Mount to the North Carolina Ethics Commission. He fills one of the governor's two Republican appointments.

"Mayo Boddie will work to make sure our state officials adhere to the highest standards of ethical conduct," said Easley. "He is dedicated to making sure our state leaders keep the public trust."

Boddie is chair of Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Inc., one of the nation's largest restaurant franchise firms. He serves on the advisory board for Northeastern Entrepreneurial Roundtable. Boddie was inducted into the Twin Counties Hall of Fame in 2006. He received his Bachelor's degree from UNC at Chapel Hill.

The North Carolina Ethics Commission was created after Gov. Easley signed the Ethics Act on Aug. 4, 2006 and replaces the State Ethics Board. The commission works to establish ethical standards for public officials, state employees and appointees to nonadvisory state boards and commissions. The commission requires public disclosure of economic interests by certain people in the executive, legislative and judicial branches. The commission has eight members, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints four members, including the chair. The Senate President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House each appoint two members.

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